

EXTRACTS

TWELVE YEARS AGO.

Fifth February 1870. Transfer of the telegraphs to the Government.

Fifth February 1882. In a very bad hotel at Philadelphia.

Twelve years ago! When life was strong
And pulses quick; when hopes were high,
Nimble the members tripped along,
Swiftly the hours and days ran by.
For, though no day from toils was free,
Nor any night was free from care,
The toils and cares pressed from me,
As clouds such as these had no power;
And told me still, from day to day,
As all too fast the seasons flew,
How flaws, how blunders passed away,
And order from disorder grew.

Now, in this semi-savage town,
And more than semi-savage hue,
Listless I watch the sun go down,
Sleepless I watch the dawn begin.
Inevitable habit makes me toil
In scenes with no attraction fraught,
Merely to heal a silly brel
Between the Province and the Parts.
But we might grow used to my pride,
No ardent comrades cheer me on;
The east, the years, the Father divide
My lot from toils and pleasures gone.
Why should I grieve or *or* thoughts like these?
Past days, though past, are to be long;
They have not lost their power to please;
They still may prompt a cheerful song.
Though much seems lost, yet much remains,

Of all that once I loved so well—
Scenes, voices, looks, my heart retains:
The telephann beats that of Bell
I close my eyes. The scene is changed:
The intervening years have fled,
The scene no more part friends estranged,
The earth gives back the once-loved dead!

Unseen, unheard, once more I stand
In the enchanted air, once more
Bright fogs gleam on either hand:
The mighty organes shake the floor.
The needle's old familiar gild
With rhythmic welcome fills the air,
And every loom thrums in quick
To greet an ancient comrade there!

Again machinery is filled!
With human instincts; and again
Are lads and ladies trained and drilled
Mechanically to maintain.

It well may be, in years long hence,
When I and all I love are dead,
That I, as unseem voiceless sense,
The once familiar floors may tread.
Then, as I gaze upon the child
We knew in blooming infancy,
I'll think, dear Atlas, how you smiled
Upon her sponsors, and oh me.

A grating voice arrests my dream,
A creaking shoe the charm dispels—
Old thoughts, old voices, faces, stream
Back into memory's inmost wells.
'What, Cost! you have come!' by Jove,
It's getting late, as I'm a sinner!
Quick! I'll mere love within the stove,
And, prithers, quickly bring the dinner.'

THE COLDEST PLACE IN THE

WORLD.

The coldest place on the earth is not, has hitherto been believed by meteorologists, Yakoutsk, in Siberia, but Verkhoyansk, in same region, lying in 67½ degrees north latitude, on the River Lena. Its lowest temperature is 43.6 degrees below zero centigrade. This is the North Pole of the earth in air temperature. The corresponding point in America lies to the north-west of the Parry Islands, on the line joining these two places, but not pass through the North Pole in which is thus, in all probability, outside the line of greatest cold. It is well known in the tropics, on the other hand, the greatest heat is not at the Equator, but some distance north and south of it.

CURE OF DIPHTHERIA IN NATAL

One of the Ambulance South
followed him to the hospital
paper. "We can touch for the efficacy
of the following remedy for diphtheria."
A few years ago, when this dreaded dis-
ease was raging in England, a very simple
remedy was discovered by a physician
celebrated Dr. Field. He took a quart
of the finest of sulphur into a wine-glass
water, and stirred it with his finger-
tip of a spoon, as the sulphur does not re-
sult amalgamate with water. When the solu-
tion was stirred, he stirred it with his
finger for ten minutes the patient was out of dan-
ger. The sulphur kills every species of fungus,
man, beast, and plant in a few min-
utes. Instead of spitting the gargle out he re-
mained in the solution until the water was
clear, to which he had been called just
the nick of time, when the fungus was
near closing to allow gargling, he blew
the sulphur through a quill into the
throat, and the fungus and shrunk to allow
it, then in the morning he never let
patient from diphtheria.

THE SHOWMAN'S TROUBLE.

BY MAX ADELMAN

The stranger who sat in the car seat to Mr. Jones, the reporter, seemed to be in trouble. He leaned his head upon his hand and looked out the window at the city and now and then he sighed heavily, as if a great sorrow gnawed at his heart.

"You seem depressed," said Jones to him at last. "Have you suffered bereavement or affliction? Can I do anything to help you?"

"I don't believe you can," said the stranger wearily.

"Lose a dear relative, have you?"

"Oh, no; all my folks are well."

"Money gone, maybe?"

"Never lost a dollar in my life."

"Bodily pain, perhaps?"

"I'm sound—as a two-year old colt. I tell you what's the matter. I'm ashamed I've just organized the biggest show on earth, and I'm perfectly wild because I find a good name for it."

"Why don't you simply call So and

"Young man, you don't understand business. Nobody would come any place to a mere circus. You must have a magnificent kind of a name; words in a syllable that people don't understand."

"Why not call it 'The Gorgeous Aggregates of Stupendous Curiosities'?"

"Won't do. There are nine shown on the road with that very name, and only seven of them have elephants and Giraffes to boot."

"How would it do to style your Colossal Collection of Biological Phenomena and an Equine Manifestation of unparalleled Splendour?"

"Too common. Taste are four the Misouris and two in Connecticut who read in that way, and neither one of the learned smooth of Scripture Nemeanian lion to the back. Can't you of something new?"

"If I had time perhaps I might work."

"Take all the time you want. Sit out carefully. Something that will be thought that I have the only rare genuine live walrus this side of Baffin!"

"I'll give you a perpetual free pass if it helps the cause. The new in the land may give show in one."

"How'll this do?" asked Mr. Jones minutes later, presenting a piece of paper.

"The quagga, parrot, locust and the extinction of mammalian fauna and of the rating achievements of the phenomenon quagga scribbulum."

ANECDOTAL PHOTOGRAPHS

DR. H. W. RICHARDSON.

We have been told before now that the future will be doctors, and it is likely to prove true prophecy, that exactly in the sense in which people dealing with religion are apt to fancy it would be more correct to say that the future will be priests, or professors of medical morality. Some of the ablest men, especially in England and America, so already, or wish to be so considered. Richardson, for instance, was a preacher, and he has his text from the Bible. Needless to observe, he is mainly in disparagement of his skill as a physician; which it would be impertinent to question. His life has indeed been a succession of medical triumphs. In 1857, when he was twenty-four years of age, he won the Gold Medal for a series of diseases of the child before birth; and in 1863 the Astley Cooper prize (of £230) for a paper on the oesophagus of the foetus. Five years later he was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society by the vote of the Physicians by examination, and in 1868 a Fellow. By-and-by he was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society, and of most other scientific societies of note, in the Old World or the New. His contributions to the sum of human knowledge in the aspect of the healing art are manifold; but it is curious to give an enumeration of those which should be intelligible to the medical world, but to write a history of medicine during the last quarter of the century. The last thing that his admirance could do, that few of his professional brethren would do, was to write a history of the work of himself of him. Some have

them even clubbed together in

present him with a microscope by which he perceives of thousands of germs, as recognized by his distinguished microscopeist friend, Dr. Richardson's, as the cause of the disease. He is acquainted with the fact that the disease is conveyed in a kindly spirit. His discovery is the application of the germ theory for the local abolition of the disease in surgical operations. Then he is acquainted with the restoration of life after death, and the return of the forms of apparent death, and has discovered the methods of turning oxen and sheep and mutton with the aid of the microscope to these four thousand worlds of man.

But the names of Benjamin Ward and John Tyndall are known for many years in connection with what threatens to become the all-absorbing question of drink. The Doctor into a sort of Puritan, and the Quaker—for there is nothing more of the kind in his nature. His view of life has been, in his terms, not to say a new one. We can find him, in seasons and in moods, as a man who has not the doctrine of the resurrection, being a man of science, and not a fanatic. Dr. Richardson understands the practice of total abstinence from wine, there must be a complete change of habits, and almost in the moral constitution. It is useless to warn people to drink, and not touch on the manifold evils which lead to the drinking habit. Hence, this is the saving grace to regard the new hygiene from an ethical point of view. He virtually tells his patients to enjoy good health they must be good. The sound body cannot exist without the sound spirit. It is no new discovery, the opinion of the ablest physicians of the ages. The clearest of axioms, however, not necessarily accepted by the human mind; and it is the only one that may be attained by endeavoring to put this particular one into the ears of the creatures.

Dr. Richardson can boast of many admirers, and some enthusiastic admirers. A lady, who was later was Sir Walter Trevelyan, who had a bequest has added a chapter to the history of the history of Dr. Richardson's life. Sir Walter Trevelyan, who had a bequest of the history of the baronet's death, received a visit from him. Sir Walter Trevelyan, on the courteous presence of Sir Walter Trevelyan, Doctor for a trifling ailment, realising that he was dying, swore at the close of his life to "interview" him. Possibly he had a friendly chat with a lady, who was a friend of his, a scholar and a well-known Trevelyanist. In the course of the interview, Sir Walter, alluding to a lecture on Richardson's, in which the latter had written of the produce of vineyards, asked him (though a way had yet been indicated) what that produce, and the individual, who had made the trade in wine and alcohol, as Sir Walter believed it would be seriously impeded. But he made no reference to any probable bequest.

As Dr Richardson has told the world was on All Fools' Day, in the year that he received the first intimation of his troublesome fortune. At first he took the lawyer's letter which informed him of the legacy as a joke. But the consequence—simply a dry acknowledgment of the letter—questioning that the key of the cellar might be forwarded. The key of return of pest; but long before Dr. Richardson had found that it was no joke—or rather that it was pleasant and perfectly real. A few hours after the pestilence broke out, the paper, dropped in his hand, was particularly. Next came a note from Sir Charles Trevelyan, inherited all Wallington, save the key of its cellar, for the Doctor to

spend a few days at that old Nonesuch seat. Dr. Richardson went, and was humorously told that he had been put in the "devil in solution." He thoroughly enjoyed himself, the giver of the feast could plead, by way of excuse, in that place, that Sir Walter had once been there, and that he had been told that some interesting results, very fairly be called scientific, had been obtained through the absorption of the new element. It is something to know that Peckay has been 12 years in bottle and that he has been 12 years in the hands of the chemists to be considered as connoisseurs. A curious story told in Sonthey's "Nelson," to the effect that in the 18th century a German merchant presented the Nile with half-a-dozen of Rhine wine, and that the Nile was so pleased with the gift that he drank apparently with pleasure he kept—one for each great victory he should win. The merchant died at Wallington going to

What to do with the Wallingford Dr. Richardson could not tell me. He said that he had been given no advice. He was offered, as he said, and even eight times the actual value of the bequest on certain conditions of application, "which, to some men seem right and honorable, but to him (Dr. Richardson) did not present the character of a bribe." He was free to accept the offer. "I am scrupulously and highly or Dr. Richardson. At the same time I trust to see him proclaiming his views on this world. But a moral reformer is also perfectly modest and selfless. He would not be so proud as to put his name on the purchase and safe conservation of the British Museum or Zoological Gardens. Ultimately, I have heard, Dr. Richardson decided to have all the wines analyzed chemically, with the view of ascertaining the nature of the poisons used to enable his particular friends to escape the consequences of the circumstances. I was the first to be told by some wine men.—Truth

HONGKONG MARKETS

— REPORTED BY CHINESE ON THE 26TH APRIL, 1891

COTTON GOODS.	
American Drills, 30 yds, per piece	\$2.95 to 3.65
American Drills, 15 1/2 yds, per piece	\$2.50 to 3.50
Cotton Yarn, No. 12 to 24, per 400 lbs.	\$8.00 to 9.00
Cotton Yarn, No. 12 to 24, per 400 lbs.	\$3.00 to 3.50
Cotton Yarn, No. 32 to 52, per 400 lbs.	\$2.00 to 2.50
Cotton Yarn, Bombay	\$7.00 to 8.00
Chairs, per piece	\$1.70 to 1.85
Dyed Spectral Shirtings, per piece	\$3.00 to 3.50
Dyed Broaden Shirtings, per piece	\$3.00 to 3.50
Dyed Damask Shirtings, per piece	\$5.00 to 5.50
English Drills, 30 yards, per piece	\$2.55 to 3.25
English Drills, 14 1/2 yds, per piece	\$2.55 to 3.25
Grey Shirtings, 7 lb., per piece	\$1.55 to 1.75
Grey Shirtings, 8 lb., per piece	\$1.75 to 1.95
Grey Shirtings, 8 1/2 lb., per piece	\$2.05 to 2.25
Grey Shirtings, 10 lb., per piece	\$2.25 to 2.45
Grey Shirtings, 10 1/2 lb., per piece	\$2.45 to 2.65
Grey T. Cloths, 24 yds & 32 in. 5 lbs. p. pe.	\$1.35 to 1.55
Grey T. Cloths, 24 yds & 32 in. 7 lbs. p. pe.	\$1.55 to 1.75
Grey T. Cloths, 24 yds & 32 in. 9 lbs. p. pe.	\$1.75 to 1.95
Grey T. Cloths, 24 yds & 32 in. 11 lbs. p. pe.	\$1.95 to 2.15
Grey T. Cloths, 24 yds & 32 in. 13 lbs. p. pe.	\$2.15 to 2.35
Handkerchiefs, Blue, per dozen	\$9.50 to 10.50
Handkerchiefs, Brown, per dozen	\$9.50 to 10.50
Handkerchiefs, White, per dozen	\$9.50 to 10.50
Handkerchiefs, Light Blue, per dozen	\$9.50 to 10.50
Turkey Red Shirtings, 3 lbs, per piece	\$1.75 to 1.95
Velvet, Black, 30 inches, per yard	\$9.15 to 10.15
Velvet, Genatin, 22 inches per yard	\$9.15 to 10.15
Woolen, 22 inches, per yard	\$9.15 to 10.15
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White Shirtings, 54 1/2 60 yds, per piece	\$2.15 to 2.35
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FOREIGN MEN-OF-WAR ON THE CHINA AND JAPAN STATION

NAME.	FLAG.	CUNS.	R.P.	CAPTAIN.	WHERE.
Abreck	Russian gunboat	7	80	Captain Schiaas	Japan
Adonis	French gunboat	5	270	Commander Caillard	Singapore
Alert	American corvette	4	600	Commander L. Knapp	Japan
Africa	Russian corvette	8	—	Captain Alexey	Yokohama
Aleutels	American corvette	8	700	Commander H. B. Mullen	Kobe
Asia	Russian cruiser	11	—	Captain Amosoff	Singapore
D. of Edinburgh	Russian ironclad	200	—	Captain Glen	Hongkong
D. M. de Molina	Spanish frigate	—	—	Captain T. Koltchak	Yokohama
Ernak	Russian transport	7	80	Commander Stark	Japan
Gornostal	German corvette	19	—	Captain Von Kall	Singapore
Hochla	German gunboat	8	420	Commander Khusu	Yokohama
Hitt	German corvette	—	—	Commander Goretzka	Yokohama
Korowant	French corvette	—	—	Captain D. de la Batie	Hongkong
La Victorieuse	French frigate	14	600	Don Mariano Torres	Yokohama
Leopold	Spanish transport	—	—	Captain Rouvier	Yokohama
Lutin	French gunboat	4	100	Commander C. S. Cotton	Kobe
Monocory	American gunboat	6	70	Commander Tataronoff	Yokohama
Morge	Russian gunboat	6	—	Captain Tshirkoif	Yokohama
Moscow	Russian transport	7	80	Commander Valronoff	Japan
Narvik	Russian gunboat	6	—	Captain Green	Yokohama
Palos	American gunboat	6	200	Captain Eklinsky	Singapore
Platoun	Russian corvette	8	—	Captain Sabrus	Yokohama
Prince Polotsky	Russian frigate	12	650	Captain Skoretz	Kobe
Richmond	American frigate	14	800	Commander Bogel	Yokohama
Sokol	American gunboat	7	80	Commander Sildanar	Yokohama
St. Petersburg	Russian transport	9	—	Captain von Blauz	Shanghai
Stosch	German corvette	19	—	Commander Delivron	Yokohama
Strokol	Russian corvette	9	700	Com. A. de Cock	Yokohama
Suecia	American corvette	8	1100	Com. de Pola	Manila
Tauega	Portuguese gunboat	—	—	Commander Herk	Singapore
Tompson	Russian gunboat	—	—	Captain Avelan	Hongkong
Vesnik	Russian cruiser	15	650	Captain Dwyatz	Yokohama
Villa	French gunboat	4	—	Commander Melnikovsky	Japan
Vestock	Russian gunboat	4	—	Commander Strach	Manila
Wolf	German gunboat	4	340	—	—

CANTON GUNBOAT SQUADRON.

NAME.	FLAG AND REG.	GUNS.	TONS.	R.P.	COMMANDER.	STATION.
Aa-lau	Viceroy's gunboat	7	250	75	—	Hongkong
Choo-ying	Revenue cruiser	3	80	20	—	—
Chün-to	Viceroy's gunboat	3	250	75	J. Stewart	Hongkong
Chün-jui	Revenue cruiser	3	80	17	—	West Coast
Chung-wan	Revenue cruiser	3	30	20	—	Canton
Ching-ching	Viceroy's gunboat	4	180	60	—	Hongkong
Chop-ai	Viceroy's gunboat	—	—	—	—	—
Hoi-tung	Viceroy's gunboat	—	—	—	—	—
Pong-shao-hai	Revenue cruiser	4	582	125	—	Canton
Tching-on	Viceroy's gunboat	2	120	40	—	—
Tohing-po	Viceroy's gunboat	3	100	40	—	—
Tung-tung	Revenue cruiser	3	150	40	—	—
Quang-on	Viceroy's gunboat	4	180	40	—	—
Ban Hong	Viceroy's gunboat	—	—	—	—	—